

**PATENT APPLICATION**  
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q94512

Patrice RICHARD

Appln. No.: 10/577,132

Group Art Unit: 3761

Confirmation No.: 8183

Examiner: Susan Shan SU

Filed: August 28, 2006

For: PLACENTAL-BLOOD EXTRACTION DEVICE

**ASSERTION OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.27, Applicant hereby asserts that Applicant was a small entity at the time the fees were paid for which a refund is being requested, herein, Applicant further remains a small entity, and that the above-captioned application is hereby entitled to small entity status going forward.

Respectfully submitted,

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